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PROGRAM CALL
CLINICAL DIVISION

FY 1972-1976

PROGRESS TOWARD OBJECTIVES
FY 1969-1970

I. Conservation of Manpower and Management Assistance

A. Executive Annual Program:

1. Improved procedures for uniform reporting
results for transmission to private physician where
indicated.

2. Centralization of examinations with one

[] experienced examiner to facilitate individualized
advisory follow-up with examinees.

B. Increase in Clinical Capability:

Specialists

1. Consultants have been cleared in Pediatrics (new),
Tropical Medicine (new), and additional consultants in
Neurosurgery, Ophthalmology, Pulmonary Diseases and

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2. EKG Monitoring

Acquisition of electronic equipment, which makes it possible to record a Subject's EKG for 10 consecutive hours, as he goes about his daily routine. Pilot studies have been successful, ~~demonstrating the effectiveness of the equipment,~~ *and how* which has already had practical application to clinical cases, *The equipment* and has potential for future development in the early detection and prediction of heart disease, *studies of arrhythmias, and adjustments of certain medications.*

3. Laboratory Production

There has been notable increase in the efficiency of processing examinees through the laboratory (screening) phase of physical examinations, with greater individualization of the procedure.

There has been an expansion of the number of specialized laboratory tests performed, which have special relevance to cardiovascular disorders. This has paralleled and become part of the developing program of use of the new EKG monitoring equipment.

Liaison with NIH has facilitated the use of their laboratory, as well as clinical facilities for selected cases in the field of tropical medicine.

C. Management Assistance;

Closer liaison has developed with other Agency components, through the medical counselling program, and, through generally greater individualized handling of cases. Timely medical advice is provided to the employee and his component with more lead time when medical problems and risks are detected *relevant to overseas and special assignments and training.*

D. Environmental Health;

Capability has been increased in detecting and assessing potential environmental hazards from noise, atmospheric conditions, ventilation, and chemical vapors. These activities are integrated with the facilities of the Building Manager.

II. Management

A certain increase in administrative stability with flexibility has been realized in the Clinical Division, ~~stemming from the personal interest of both C/C^D and DC/CD in administrative matters.~~

III. Senior Consultant Panel

A panel of medical consultants from major industries has been developed and will soon have its first meeting in OMS. The panel will be advisory to OMS, principally the Clinical Division,

primarily on matters of programming. With the contemplated addition of senior clinicians of comparable stature, such as in cardiovascular diseases, the panel will also provide in-depth advice as needed in continuing development of clinical programs broadly applicable to all OMS conservation of manpower and management assistance objectives.

IV. Budget

During the latter half of FY 1969, expenditures were reduced through a cut-back in WAE consultant services. It is now evident that a significant restoration of certain of these services will be necessary, particularly in cardiology, and also in the Annual and Executive Annual programs in order to continue to meet the need for specialist service and to expand the Executive Annual program.

V. Staffing

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